

**REQUEST FORM FOR CONTINUATION  
APPLICATION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 111(A)**

ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.: 30014630.0002

Prior Application: International Application No. PCT/JP02/00309

Art Unit: Not yet assigned

Examiner: Not yet assigned

**MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents

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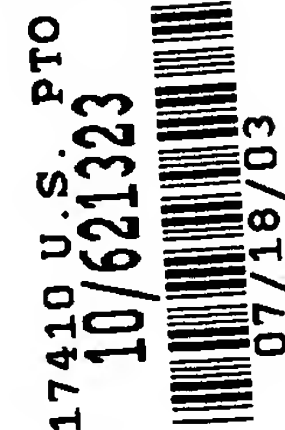
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Sir:

This is a Request for filing a Continuation Application, entitled **A REMITTANCE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM, A SETTLEMENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM, A REMITTANCE MANAGEMENT METHOD, A SETTLEMENT MANAGEMENT METHOD AND A COMPUTER PROGRAM THEREOF**, under 35 U.S.C. 111(A) of pending prior International Application No. PCT/JP02/00309, filed on January 18, 2002, entitled **A REMITTANCE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM, A SETTLEMENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM, A REMITTANCE MANAGEMENT METHOD, A SETTLEMENT MANAGEMENT METHOD AND A COMPUTER PROGRAM THEREOF**, by the following named inventor(s):

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1. ☐ I hereby verify, to the best of my knowledge, that the enclosed copy of this prior application is a true copy of the above-identified prior application.
2. ☐ Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
3. ☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line, the sentence: The present application is a Continuation Application under 35 U.S.C. 111(A) of PCT Application No. PCT/JP02/00309, filed on January 18, 2002, which claims priority from Japanese Patent Application No. 2001-12480, filed on January 19, 2001, the contents of which are incorporated herein by reference.



4. [X] An Information Disclosure Statement and a PTO-1449 Form are submitted herewith (including references)
5. [X] International Publication WO 02/057978
6. [X] International Search Report
7. [X] Article 34 Amendments (Japanese) filed February 7, 2003
8. [X] International Preliminary Examination Report
9. [X] Declaration/Power of Attorney.
10. [X] Assignment (\$40 Recordation Fee authorized to be charged to the attached PTO-2038 Form).
11. [X] This application is assigned to MITSUBISHI CORPORATION, 6-3, Marunouchi 2-chome, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 100-8086 Japan.
12. [X] The filing fee is calculated on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application (the fee transmittal form is attached, along with a duplicate copy).
13. [X] PTO-2038 Form attached.
14. [X] Address all future communications to:

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15. [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the application filing fee of \$1606.00 to the attached PTO-2038 Form. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-3140.

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# FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2003

Effective 01/01/2003. Patent fees are subject to annual revision.

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT

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## Complete if Known

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## METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)

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## FEE CALCULATION

### 1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description	Fee Paid
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)		
1001	750	2001	375	Utility filing fee	750
1002	330	2002	165	Design filing fee	
1003	520	2003	260	Plant filing fee	
1004	750	2004	375	Reissue filing fee	
1005	160	2005	80	Provisional filing fee	
SUBTOTAL (1)					(\$) 750

### 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims 24 - 20\*\* = 4 x 18 = 72  
Independent Claims 9 - 3\*\* = 6 x 84 = 504  
Multiple Dependent 280 = 280

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description	Fee Paid
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)		
1202	18	2202	9	Claims in excess of 20	
1201	84	2201	42	Independent claims in excess of 3	
1203	280	2203	140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	
1204	84	2204	42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent	
1205	18	2205	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent	
SUBTOTAL (2)					(\$) 856

\*\*or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see above

## FEE CALCULATION (continued)

### 3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description	Fee Paid
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)		
1051	130	2051	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
1052	50	2052	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053	130	1053	130	Non-English specification	
1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1804	920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805	1,840*	1805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month	
1252	410	2252	205	Extension for reply within second month	
1253	930	2253	465	Extension for reply within third month	
1254	1,450	2254	725	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255	1,970	2255	985	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401	320	2401	160	Notice of Appeal	
1402	320	2402	160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403	280	2403	140	Request for oral hearing	
1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	110	2452	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453	1,300	2453	650	Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501	1,300	2501	650	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502	470	2502	235	Design issue fee	
1503	630	2503	315	Plant issue fee	
1460	130	1460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807	50	1807	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
1806	180	1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
8021	40	8021	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	40
1809	750	2809	375	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
1810	750	2810	375	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
1801	750	2801	375	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
1802	900	1802	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

Other fee (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

\*Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid

SUBTOTAL (3) (\$) 40

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